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November 9, 2001

D. Wayne Hedberg Permit Supervisor

Minerals Regulatory Program State of Utah Department of Natural Resources Division of Oil, Gas and Mining 1594 West North Temple, Suite 1210 PO Box 145801

RE: Response to September 4,2001 Notification of Suspension of Operations, Knolls M/045/022&m/045/008.

Dear Mr. Hedberg,

Both the Knolls facility and the Rowley facility are in operation and remain ready to serve Magcorp's needs. No plans are currently underway to do reclamation at either facility. Should reclamation become necessary Magcorp will adhere to the current reclamation contracts in effect, which were given to you in July of 1990. As you have noted in your letter Magcorp is in a Chapter 11 Bankruptcy filing and we are attempting to do a re-organization plan to allow the company to continue. Any assistance your division may provide in this endeavor will be welcome.

Sincerely,

Lee R. Brown, Vice President

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